Whitehouse Tree Commission

Minutes of Meeting - November 18, 2021

Commissioners Present: Chairperson, Sheri Luedtke, Amy Schultz, Diane DeYonker, Christine Manzey, Dianne Toffler, Council Representative, Richard Bingham, Village Staff Advisor, Mark Thomas.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Sheri Luedtke at 7:34 pm. The minutes of the October 28, 2021 meeting were approved with a motion made by Dianne Toffler and seconded by Diane DeYonker. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Tree Inventory: Mark Thomas reported that 2 Pear trees in the Heller Road area lost branches due to wind and the trees will be removed. Fall trees are scheduled to be delivered the 1st of December from North Branch Nursery. They will then be planted by Village Staff. The Sugar Maple, an Arbor Day tree, that didn't make it, will be replaced. The brick can then be reinstalled.

Facebook:

Christine Manzey would like to write an article about the benefits of insects that occupy trees. Oak trees have more insects on them than other species. She noted that the bumps and holes in their leaves are indications of this.

New Business:

Meeting Plan for 2022 was reviewed. A copy of which is attached.

All members who were present indicated that they are willing to serve as commissioners for 2022.

Other Business:

Sheri Luedtke stated that 2021 was a good year with many accomplishments made by all members. It was also mentioned that talks about trees available through the Tree Fund website are very beneficial to all members. It was decided to put a link on the Tree Commission Facebook Page to the Tree Fund. It was also mentioned that "Finding the Mother Tree" by Suzanne Simard is an excellent read.

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Christine Manzey and seconded by Dianne Toffler. Motion Carried and meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Schultz